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June 27, 2013

Mr. Greg Cox, Chairperson San Diego County Board of Supervisors County Administration Center 1600 Pacific Highway, Room 335 San Diego, California 92101

Dear Chairperson Cox:

On June 26, 2013, the U.S. Department of Agriculture granted a Secretarial disaster designation for the primary county of **San Diego** and the contiguous counties of **Imperial, Orange**, and **Riverside**. This designation is a result of the final rule announced for the USDA Disaster Designation Process (7 CFR 759), which includes the nearly automatic approval for counties with drought intensity levels of D2 (for 8 consecutive weeks), D3, and D4 as reported on the U.S. Drought Monitor.

The California Emergency Management Agency is providing the enclosed information regarding this designation. Please inform potential applicants throughout your county of this designation and information.

Sincerely,

KARMA HACKNEY

Individual Assistance Officer

Enclosure

c: San Diego County Office of Emergency Services

San Diego County Agricultural Commissioner

Karen Ross, Secretary, California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA)

John Rowden, Emergency Management Coordinator, CDFA

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U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Designation USDA #S3544 - D2, D3, D4 Drought

Designation Information

The following table illustrates the designation information.

Eligible Primary County(s):	San Diego
Eligible Contiguous County(s):	Imperial, Orange, Riverside
Event:	Final rule for the USDA Disaster Designation Process (7 CFR 759), which includes the nearly automatic approval for counties with drought intensity levels of D2 (for 8 consecutive weeks), D3, and D4 as reported on the U.S. Drought Monitor. Incident Period: April 30, 2013, through June 24, 2013.
Assistance made available by designation:	 Emergency farm loans for actual losses as a direct result of the disaster Up to a maximum of \$500,000
Application deadline:	February 26, 2014
Who may apply:	Farmers and ranchers who conduct family-sized farming operations
How to apply:	 Contact local Farm Service Agency (FSA) office listed in the local telephone directory under U.S. Government, Agriculture Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at 202-720-2600 (voice and TDD)
USDA website for additional information:	www.fsa.usda.gov/pas/disaster/assistance1.htm